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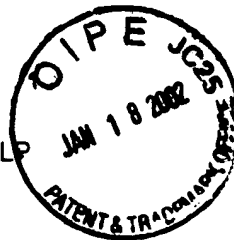


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Sir:

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- (1) a duly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for Inventor Hock Law with respect to the above-referenced patent application;
- (2) a check in the amount of \$130.00 in payment of the surcharge of 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e);
- (3) a copy of the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) of Application of the above patent application;
- (4) a Petition for a four-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); and
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